**Resolution title:** Expressing support for designation of the week beginning on the second Saturday in May as " National Travel and Tourism Week. "

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**Summary:** This House Concurrent Resolution supports the designation of May 9-17 as " National Travel and Tourism Week. "

America's travel economy supports nearly 8 million American workers in jobs that cannot be outsourced. The travel industry is America's fifth largest employer and it generates \$115 billion in federal, state and local tax revenues each year. It is among the top 10 industries in 49 states in terms of employment. Travel is one of America's largest service exports, generating a net positive trade balance of \$29.7 billion in 2008.

Keeping America moving is an essential component of rebuilding confidence, saving and creating American jobs and rekindling U.S. economic growth. By helping to inspire confidence in the traveling public, highlighting the value of travel can help foster economic opportunity in every state and locality around the United States.

Rep. Farr is co-chair of the Congressional Travel & Tourism Caucus, along with Rep. Roy Blunt (R-Mo.). Together with around 100 Member of Congress from across the country, the caucus promotes the travel industry's priorities in Washington.